PRINTING AND BINDING UNITED STATES COURT OF CUSTOMS AND PATENT APPEALS

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

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A SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR PRINTING AND BINDING FOR THE UNITED STATES COURT OF CUSTOMS AND PATENT APPEALS, AMOUNTING TO \$2,900

FEBRUARY 17 (calendar day, February 21), 1931.—Read; referred to the Committee on appropriations, and ordered to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, February 21, 1931.

The President of the Senate.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the Department of Justice for the fiscal year 1931, amounting to \$2,900, for printing and binding for the United States Court of Customs and Patent Appeals.

The details of this estimate, the necessity therefor, and the reason for its transmission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget transmitted herweith, with whose

comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully.

HERBERT HOOVER.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET, Washington, February 21, 1931.

SIR: I have the honor to submit for your consideration a supple mental estimate of appropriation for the Department of Justice for the fiscal year 1931, amounting to \$2,900.

Printing and binding, United States Court of Customs and Patent Appeals: For printing and binding for the United States Court of Customs and Patent Appeals, fiscal year 1931 (act July 3, 1930, vol. 46, p. 880).

Supplemental estimate 1931, \$2,900. Appropriated 1931, \$6,600.

Under the act of March 2, 1929, the jurisdiction vested in the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia in respect of appeals from the Patent Office in patent and trade-mark cases was transferred to the United States Court of Customs Appeals and the title of that court changed to the United States Court of Customs and Patent

Appeals.

The act of June 16, 1930, amending section 192 of the Judicial Code, provides that the reporter of the United States Court of Customs and Patent Appeals shall cause to be compiled and published, at least once a year, in such manner as the court shall direct, all of the opinions rendered by said court to that date, together with such digests and indexes as the court may deem necessary. Formerly the opinions rendered by this court in customs cases were published by the Treasury Department and the cost of same paid from the appropriations of that department, but under the amendatory legislation all opinions rendered by the court will be published under the direction of the court and beginning with the fiscal year 1931 funds have been provided for expenditure by the court for this purpose.

It was anticipated that two volumes of opinions would be published each year, one of customs cases and one of patent cases, and the appropriation for the fiscal year 1931 is sufficient only for the publication of these two volumes. The presiding judge of the court advises, however, that the opinions in patent cases which have been and are being handed down by the court during the present year, since October 1, 1930, should now be in the Printing Office, being set up, with their headnotes, for the next volume, and be fully completed and bound for distribution by the time the next year's court work begins on October 1, 1931, and it is estimated that an additional amount of \$2,900 will be required for the fiscal year 1931 if this volume of opinions in patent cases is to be published at this time.

This estimate of appropriation is to meet a contingency which has arisen since the transmission of the Budget for the fiscal year 1931. and its approval is recommended.

Very respectfully,

J. CLAWSON ROOP, Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

The PRESIDENT.

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